



## **Town Council Meeting Minutes December 10, 2014**

**Julie W** calls the December 10, 2013 Town Council Meeting to order at 6:38 pm. Roll Call: Dawn Semmler, Susan Austin, Julie Whitman, Kevin Russell, Eric Miller; present. **Pledge**

**Julie W** asks if there are any Changes to Agenda, Dawn S asked that Option C be pulled from Consent Agenda and moved to New Business C, Julie W asked to add to New Business the scheduling of a workshop in January. **Susan A** m/m to accept the changes as presented, **Kevin R 2<sup>nd</sup>**, vote 5-0, **motion carried**.

### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

- A. Approval of Town Council Meeting Minutes for November 12, 2013.**
- B. Approval of Town and Utility Claims as presented.**
- C. Moved to New Business**
- D. Consider Resolution Concerning the Trustees of the Town 457B Plan**
- E. Amendment to Water Tower License Agreement with Verizon Wireless.**

**Susan A** m/m to approve Consent Agenda Items A. Approval of Town Council Meeting Minutes for November 12, 2013;

B. Approval of Town and Utility Claims; C. Moved to New Business; D. Consider Resolution Concerning the Trustees of the Town 457B Plan; E. Amendment to Water Tower License Agreement with Verizon Wireless, **Dawn S 2<sup>nd</sup>**, vote 5-0, **motion carried**.

### **PRESENTATIONS:**

- A. EDC Update:** **Bryan Brackemyre** spoke regarding potential new business coming to Whitestown in Anson. A small manufacturing company is looking at Perry Industrial Park. Discussion Ensues.
- B. Rich Hightower – Tabled – Susan A** m/m to table, **Julie W 2<sup>nd</sup>**, vote 5-0, **motion carried**.

### **TOWN DEPARTMENT UPDATES:**

**Police Department:** Chief Dennis Anderson gave an overview of his department. All new hires and three reserve officers will begin PSO training. Discussion ensues. An overview of Amazon traffic was given. Discussion ensues.

**Fire Department:** Chief Joshua Westrich gave an overview of his department. 48 runs for the month, 93 hours of training. ISO Survey/Audit complete. Results to be returned within 6 months. Discussion ensues.

**Utility Department:** Jason Lawson gave an overview of his department. Discussion ensues.

**Clerk Treasurer:** Amanda Andrews spoke regarding activities and goal accomplishments in the Clerk's Office. Discussed codification of town documents for town website. Discussion ensues.

**Town Manager:** Dax Norton spoke regarding goals for his office for 2014. Discussion ensues.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- A. Consider Approval of a Resolution Amending the Comprehensive Plan to Add Whitestown Parks Zone Improvement Plan (Resolution 2013-20) – Nathan Messer spoke regarding this Plan. Matt Eckerly from Umbaugh gave an overview of Park impact fees. Discussion ensues. Julie W read Resolution 2013-20 A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR THE TOWN OF WHITESTOWN, INDIANA TO INCLUDE A PARKS AND RECREATION ZONE IMPROVEMENT PLAN. **Dawn S** m/m to read by title only for second reading, **Susan A** 2<sup>nd</sup>, vote 5-0, **motion carried**. **Julie W** read Resolution 2013-20 by title only. **Susan A** m/m to adopt Resolution 2013-20, **Eric M** 2<sup>nd</sup>, vote 5-0, **motion carried**.
- B. Consider Approval of the 2014 Town of Whitestown Salary Ordinance. Discussion ensues. Ordinance 2013-25 AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WHITESTOWN, INDIANA, ESTABLISHING WAGES AND SALARIES FOR 2014, second reading. Discussion ensues. Changes were made to the Town Clerk Treasures wages. The NTE \$60,000.00 was changed to \$47,500.00. The NTE was removed from the Council wage line. Julie W read by title for second reading. Susan A m/m to adopt Ordinance 2013-25, Julie W 2<sup>nd</sup>, vote 5-0, motion carried.
- C. Consider Adoption of an Ordinance for the Super Voluntary Annexation of Territory by the Town of Whitestown (McKinzie Property) Ordinance 2013-20 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WHITESTOWN, INDIANA, ANNEXING TERRITORY TO THE TOWN OF WHITESTOWN, INDIANA, PLACING THE SAME WITHIN THE CORPORATE BOUNDARIES THEREOF, AND MAKING THE SAME A PART OF THE TOWN OF WHITESTOWN – MCKINZIE SUPER-VOLUNTARY ANNEXATION. Dax spoke regarding this annexation. Discussion ensues. **Dawn S** m/m to adopt Ordinance 2013-20, **Susan A** 2<sup>nd</sup>, vote 5-0, **motion carried**.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Appointments to Boards and Commissions

- a. RDC – Members of the RDC were listed. Appointment process discussed. Discussion Ensues
- b. Plan Commission (2 Council President Appointments) – Discussion Ensues
- c. Parks Board – Reappointment of Grant Rummel – Discussion Ensues **Susan A** m/m to reappoint Grant Rummel to Parks Board, **Eric M 2<sup>nd</sup>**, vote 5-0, **motion carried**.

Discussion ensues regarding new applicants. Information to be added to the town website asking anyone interested in a board position submit interest by December 28, 2013. Discussions will be held on December 30, 2013.

- B. Consider renewal of contract with GRW; Dan Cutshaw spoke regarding contract renewal. Discussion ensues. **Eric M** m/m to authorize Dax Norton to sign GRW contract renewal, **Susan A 2<sup>nd</sup>**, vote 5-0, **motion carried**.
- C. Police Commission Recommendation for Chief's Discretionary Merit Pay; Eric M spoke regarding the Police Commission recommendation that Chief Anderson be given a 4% merit pay. Discussion ensues. **Eric M** m/m to accept the Police Commission recommendation and approve a 4% Merit Pay for Chief Anderson, **Kevin R 2<sup>nd</sup>**, vote 5-0, **motion carried**.
- D. Council Planning Workshop to be set in January; Discussion ensues. Special Meeting followed by a planning session on January 7, 2013 a second planning session on January 21, 2013.

Susan A m/m to close Town Council Meeting at 8:35 p.m, Eric M 2<sup>nd</sup>, vote 5-0, motion carried.

The minutes from a Regular Town Council meeting on December 10, 2013 are approved on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2014 by the following Town Council Members.

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Julie Whitman, President

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Susan Austin

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Eric Miller

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Dawn Semmler

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Kevin Russell

ATTEST:

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Amanda Andrews, Clerk Treasurer